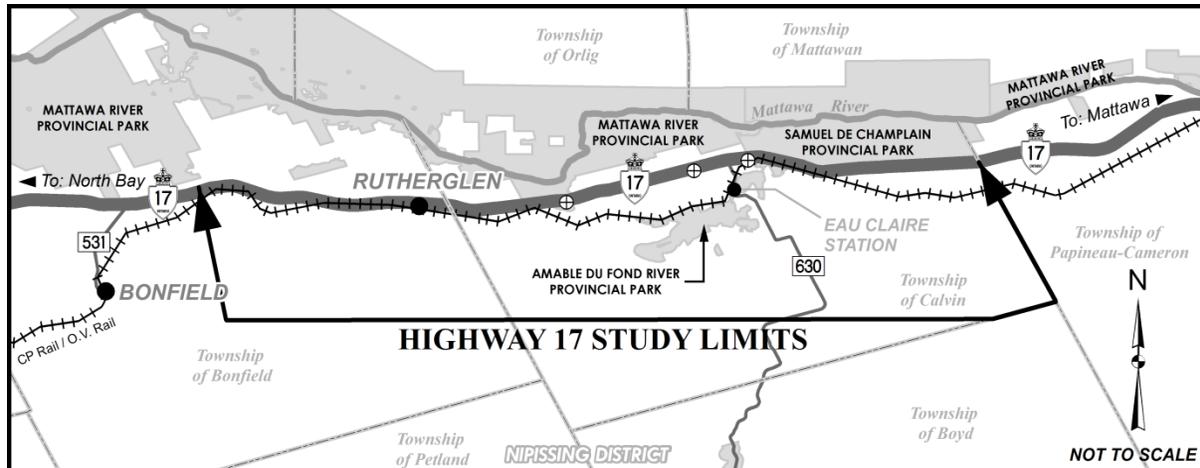


NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #3
Highway 17 Planning Study
From 2.2 km east of Highway 531 easterly to 8.0 km east of Highway 630
G.W.P. 5670-10-00

THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained AECOM to undertake a Class Environmental Assessment to identify a Recommended Plan for a four-lane Highway 17 within the study limits, with access restricted to interchange locations. The study limits are shown on the key plan below.



PROCESS

The study is following the *Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* process stipulated for a Group 'A' project.

External agency and public consultation will take place throughout the study. Public Information Centres (PICs) are held at key decision points during the study to provide stakeholders with an opportunity to provide input and discuss the study with members of the project team.

Upon completion of the study, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared and made available for public review. Notices will be mailed to contacts on the Study mailing list and published in local newspapers to identify the locations where the TESR will be available for a 30-day public review period and to explain the review process, including the opportunity to request a "Bump Up" of the project for any stakeholders who have serious, unresolved concerns with the study and its recommendations.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #3

The public is invited to attend the final PIC for the study which is being held to present the Preferred Plan and the preliminary mitigation measures and strategies developed to address potential impacts.

In consideration of the comments received at PIC #2, (held in June, 2013) the Project Team has refined the recommended highway planning alternative and completed preliminary design of the Preferred Plan.

The Preferred Plan for improvements to Highway 17 within the study limits includes:

- Realignment or widening of Highway 17 from east of Highway 531 to east of Boundary Road;
- Closure of existing Highway 17 from east of Highway 630 to west of Pautois Creek;
- Retention of existing Highway 17 as a service road at all other locations;
- Interchanges at Rutherglen Line, Highway 630 and Boundary Road;
- A grade separation at Trout Pond Road and Trunk Road; and
- A cul-de-sac at McNutt Road.

PIC #3 is being held:

Thursday January 30, 2014
Calvin Municipal Hall
1355 Peddlers Drive, Mattawa, ON
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Drop-in style open house format

Information to be presented at this PIC will be available on the project website (www.highway17routeplanning.ca) beginning on January 30, 2014.

COMMENTS

Your comments on the information presented at PIC #3 are requested by **February 28, 2014** so they can be considered in the finalization of the Recommended Plan and the completion of the TESR.

To obtain additional information, provide comments or to be placed on the mailing list, please contact:

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project please contact one of the Project Team members listed above. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant 1-800-668-1983 poste 2202,
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